

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION

Vietnam Veterans Day

WHEREAS, we must never forget the debt we owe the men and women who have loyally served our nation in battle, we must never take for granted their contributions and sacrifices and we must remember with honor those who put themselves in harm's way; and

WHEREAS, over 300,000 Americans were wounded and of the over 58,000 killed during the war, 207 were from the State of Rhode Island; and

WHEREAS, March 29th is the anniversary of the total withdrawal of United States forces and this date also marked the actual end of military involvement in Vietnam; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lincoln D. Chafee, Governor of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, do hereby proclaim March 29, 2012 as Vietnam Veterans Day in the State of Rhode Island and encourage all of its citizens to join me in recognizing the importance of this day.



Given under my hand and the great seal of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, this 29th day of March, 2012

Lincoln D. Chafee

Governor

A-Ralph Mollis Secretary of State